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ATTENTION: New Applications Branch  
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Re: Utility Patent Application Transmittal  
First Inventor or Application Identifier: Stanislaw M. Kocimski  
Title: METHOD OF CHARACTERIZING A SEMICONDUCTOR  
SURFACE  
Attorney Docket No.: 1067.038

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a United States patent application which includes 25 pages of specification, 24 total claims (3 independent), 1 Abstract of the Disclosure, 8 sheets of informal drawings (size 8 1/2 x 11), an executed Declaration, and an executed Assignment to Veeco Instruments Inc.

Our checks in the amount of \$782.00 for the filing fee plus \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 14-1080 for any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to this account.

Respectfully submitted,

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